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Student Senate meets

Kristine Kohlmeier

Student Government had its first meeting of 2001, which featured a guest speaker and discussion of upcoming plans for the spring semester.

College of Public Affairs and Community Service Interim Director B.J. Reed gave a presentation on strategic planning at UNO. Reed stressed fostering an environment that encouraged student focus, academic excellence and partnerships with the community.

Years of work have created plans that include expanding the university, both online and through programs in Asia, improving service-learning programs, better utilizing technology, renovating on-campus buildings, increasing academic research and improving student retention.

Reed encouraged students to participate in policy making at UNO. A 15-person steering committee needs student representatives to help enact the plans of the strategic planning sessions.

Open discussion followed Reed's presentation. Discussion focused on the future of campus buildings and the possibilities of expanding UNO into other parts of town. Reed suggested that a higher range of online programs will lessen pressure on the existing space on campus.

In addition to these goals, Reed mentioned several construction plans. Business classes will move to the south campus, while education instruction will be in Roskens Hall. Renovation of the Engineering building is also a major goal.

"Our real hope is that we'll get that funded next year," Reed said.

Senate business was light, with a few committee appointments made. Stephanie Trudell was named Student Senate/Faculty Senate liaison. Aaron Becker was named student senator of the month.

In future meetings, Student Senate will consider adding an anthropology major program to UNO and develop strategies to deal with the problem of campus parking. It will also investigate the lack of women's contraceptives available to students.

Scheduled for the Feb. 1 Student Senate meeting is Campus Security Assistant Manager Paul Kosel speaking **see Senate, page 3**

A dream unfulfilled Speaker tells UNO to fight for racial justice

Katie Mullin

"When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir."

This note was the promise that all men, yes, black men as well as white men, would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

-Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Pastor Menyweather-Woods of Mount Moriah Baptist Church said if Martin Luther King were alive today, he would ask, "where's the check?"

At a luncheon honoring Martin Luther King Jr. on Jan. 17, keynote speaker Menyweather-Woods urged UNO students and faculty to imagine what the great civil rights leader would say about race relations in America today — nearly 38 years after his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

Menyweather-Woods said King would be displeased with the state of race relations in America today and with the leaders who must fight for racial justice.



Menyweather-Woods says King's dream has not been realized yet.

"If he was alive, he would say we've missed the true part of his dream," Menyweather-Woods said. "Martin would insist that we need to reread 'I Have a Dream' and discover the message which he really gave that day."

Throughout his speech, Menyweather-Woods quoted King's "I

Have a Dream" speech, so listeners would be able to hear some of the important yet not so famous parts of the 'Dream.' He said that for many years, famous one-liners such as 'I have dream' and 'Let freedom ring' have overshadowed the intended

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Melissa Kuclrek
UNO sweeps weekend series

A five-hole shot from Greg Zanon toppled the scale and gave the UNO Maverick hockey team a 4-3 overtime win against conference rival Northern Michigan Jan. 20 at the Civic Auditorium. The win pushed UNO's winning streak to a school-record six games, and an overall 15-10-1, 10-7-1 in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

Saturday's win gave Head Coach Mike Kemp's brood a sweep over the Wildcats following Friday's 4-2 win.

Saturday, Jan. 20

"That last shot won," Northern Michigan Head Coach Rick Comley said. "Both teams played very hard. It was a very even hockey game."

Zanon's memorable goal came after a much more physical game than Friday's.

Senior Jason White shot a stunning right-corner whopper to put UNO on top three minutes into the game. Freshman Mike Gabinet, a 6-foot-3 defenseman out of Alberta, Canada, tallied the assist.

Winger David Brisson joined the goal party six minutes into the first period.

Wildcat Bryce Cockburn scored with under 10 minutes to go in the second period, tying the game 2-2.

When the third period rolled around, Brisson again seized the moment and



David Brisson knocks a short-handed goal around the right arm of Northern Michigan University goalie Craig Kowalski.

pushed UNO's lead 3-2. The senior out of Quebec City, Que., played a similar role in the Bowling Green series on Jan. 13, scoring two goals.

"That was a turning point. Everyone had the feeling that we had last year in playoffs," Zanon said. "We knew we could win that game."

NMU roared back when Ryan Carrigan mustered the puck past UNO's goalkeeper Dan Ellis.

Zanon's shot, 1:01 into the extra period, came off a Brisson feed.

The overtime win claimed a May victory in the last 10 of 12 outings.

"We were conditioned for that," Zanon said. "We gotta give a lot of credit to our strength coaches."

Friday, Jan. 19

Freshmen Dan Ellis, Andrew Wong

and Aaron Smith helped power the Mavs to a 4-2 win over the Wildcats. Special teams gave an extra bang, using 3-of-6 power plays to its advantage.

NMU took to the scoreboard first with a Terry Harrison first-period goal. The Wildcats appeared to be getting to the puck quicker and pushing UNO tougher against the boards.

"Northern came out with a great deal of enthusiasm," UNO Head Coach Mike Kemp said.

Kemp's team picked up the tempo and used the 75th-consecutive Civic Auditorium sellout crowd for moral support. Smith struck gold with eight minutes to go in the first period, tying the game.

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Hinton new dean of IS&T

Kristine Kohlmeier

David Hinton, previously from the College of Public Affairs and Community Service, has been named Dean of the College of Information Science and Technology.

Hinton replaces Wayne Dyksen, Ph.D., who stepped down from his post earlier this year.

Hinton received his undergraduate degree in business administration and sociology from Upper Iowa University in 1965, his MBA from the University of Arkansas in 1967 and his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Arkansas in 1971.

He began his career at UNO in 1972 as a research associate in the Center for Applied Urban Research.

From 1982 to 1985, he served as an associate professor of the department of public administration/urban studies.

He most recently served as dean of CPACS from 1985 until 2000.

"Dr. Hinton is a man of tremendous respect and trust," said Interim Dean of CPACS B.J. Reed.

B.J. Reed
Interim Dean of CPACS

Last May, Hinton was presented with the first annual Del and Lou Ann Weber Award of Excellence at UNO. This award recognizes an individual from UNO who provides outstanding professional service at the local, regional or national level.

News Note

The Nebraska ETV Network will air an hour-long program devoted to answering any questions prospective college students may have. "Countdown to College" will be a live, call-in special that also hopes to achieve better understanding of scholarship opportunities for both prospective and current college students.

"It will be advice from various aspects of the college experience," Penny Costello said. "If students feel like they have a pretty good grasp, they could learn about new scholarship opportunities. Also, this is a good idea for non-traditional students who are getting back into the education environment."

Panelists for the program include Doane College Dean of Admission Dan Kunzman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln senior Shanita Rice and Vice President of Scholarships and Educational Planning Centers for the Foundation for Educational Funding, Dianne Fick.

Carol Schrader, a journalist and UNO graduate, will moderate the program.

"Countdown to College" airs Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. on Nebraska ETV Network. Viewers can call with questions at 800-666-3721 or e-mail questions to countdown@fef.org.

Republicans react to Carhart's allegations

Melissa Kucirek

Nebraska Republican Party State Chairman Chuck Sigerson said he is aware of Bellevue doctor LeRoy Carhart's allegations that the NRP tried to influence the Board of Regents, to dismiss Carhart as volunteer adjunct assistant professor in the University of Nebraska Medical Center's department of pathology and microbiology.

"I never lobbied — no one on my executive committee, no one on my staff ever lobbied to the regents," Sigerson said. "And as state chairman, all lobbies would have to go through me."

The NRP did pass a resolution calling for Carhart's dismissal in July.

Carhart contends that he was unlawfully dismissed from his volunteer faculty position at UNMC as result of events surrounding his opposition to the state's partial-birth abortion ban last year. He named University of Nebraska President L. Dennis Smith, Executive Vice President/Provost Lee Jones, UNMC Chancellor Harold Mauer and Dean of

the College of Medicine Dr. James Armitage as co-defendants in his suit filed Jan. 17.

Carhart, who lives in Bellevue, is an abortion provider who supplied UNMC with fetal tissue for research purposes. He is seeking an injunctive order to restore his position, punitive damages and an undisclosed amount of monetary compensation.

In addition to his testimony in the Supreme Court case Stenberg vs. Carhart, pressure from the NRP and anti-choice groups led the university to terminate his position, Carhart said in a press release.

"I'm not sure what his problem is," Sigerson said. "Certainly we condemn what he's doing. Our platform hasn't changed for the last 20 years."

Metro Right to Life said it was within its rights to lobby against Carhart. Bob Blank, a representative from the group, adds lobbying is part of the political process and, ideally, elected officials listen to their constituents.

"Every time LeRoy Carhart is

found in violation of the law, he turns around and says they're picking on him," Blank said. "It's part of his strategy and he always makes himself out to be the victim."

Blank further noted that he finds the timing of the lawsuit curious. Carhart, along with 180 other volunteer workers, was mailed a termination notice by UNMC in September. Previously, Carhart had been sent a "hypothetical" press release announcing his resignation.

The Bellevue doctor's lawyers believe their client was terminated because he challenged Nebraska lawmakers.

Opponents to Carhart say UNMC had a duty to dismiss the doctor.

Blank will be paying close attention to upcoming events in the case, which will be heard in Lincoln Feb. 13-15.

"I think it may be a public relations ploy for the senators," Blank said. "It will be interesting to see if after the fetal-cell legislature is decided, if the lawsuit will still stand."

Campus Security to issue tickets by mail

Matthew Falvey

UNO motorists in the habit of speeding through university lanes and disregarding stop signs in an attempt at punctuality may want to use more caution this semester.

Over the next month, Campus Security officers will begin setting up "speed traps" at problematic areas such as the intersections around University Village, the section of University Drive North in front of the Eppley Administration Building and outlets linking the east parking structure to University Drive East. Leadfoots will likely find themselves pulled over and issued a \$10 ticket, payable to Campus Security.

Enforcing university driving rules has always posed a special problem for security officers, as it is often impossible to pull over errant motorists while they are still on campus without worsening the traffic situation.

That's why UNO will be reviving its past policy of mailing tickets to motorists who are spotted breaking the law but who can't be issued the citation on the spot. Drivers ticketed in this fashion will be identified by their license plates. Because UNO only has access to the plate numbers of student and faculty commuters, visitors must be ticketed in-person or not at all.

Although cash-strapped students may find themselves bemoaning their cruel existence upon receiving such a ticket, Assistant Manager of Campus Security Paul Kosel points out that the new measures are not intended to catch people off-guard. Although there is not a set date on when the policy will begin, Campus Security will issue a statement before it takes effect.

"We didn't want to start doing this at the beginning of the semester," Kosel said. "We wanted to give students some time to get their bearings."

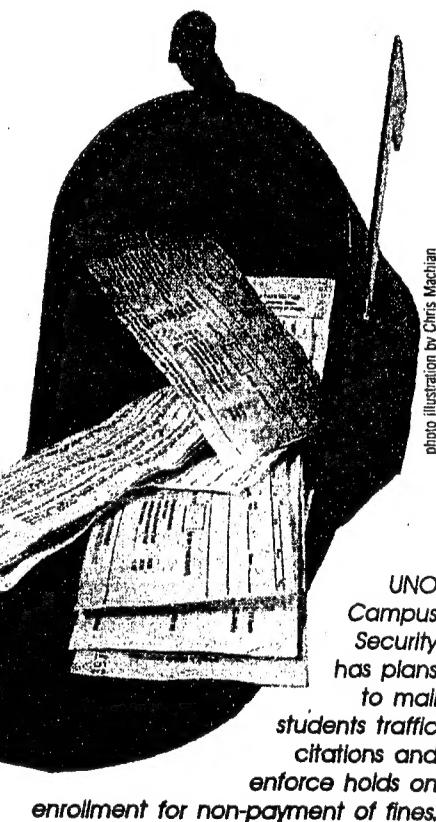
He also said drivers maneuvering through the sometimes difficult weather

that comes with living in Omaha will not have their difficulties compounded with a fine. "We wouldn't do this in a snowstorm," Kosel said.

According to Kosel, the new measures are not a response to any specific incidents, but rather the general problem of mild recklessness that has plagued campus thoroughfares for some time. The measures are not expected to be indefinite.

"This is something that, hopefully, we can address within a semester," Kosel said.

As with every campus ticket, payment must be made within 14 days, after which the unfortunate debtor's vehicle may be placed on the boot/tow list. Delinquent ticketees cunning enough to avoid that fate may still find a block placed on their class registration access when the end of the semester rolls around.



UNO Campus Security has plans to mail students traffic citations and enforce holds on enrollment for non-payment of fines.

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message of the famous speech.

Menyweather-Woods pointed out the fact that King's dream was not a dream, but rather a vision, which is still alive today.

"Dreaming always ends with a dream," Menyweather-Woods said. "But a vision captures and continues to grow in the hearts of those who are captured by the vision."

Menyweather-Woods said if King were here, he would see that his dream is still alive but far from fulfilled.

"If King could speak today, he'd remind us that the vision is not over until it's over," Menyweather-Woods said. "King would say now is not the time to slow down and gradually fulfill the vision."

Menyweather-Woods blamed former President Bill Clinton and other presidents before him for the slowdown toward the vision. He said Clinton stayed away from the real issues facing black Americans in order to concentrate more on the needs of the white majority; however, he also recognized that Clinton addressed more of these issues than any other president before him.

Menyweather-Woods also blamed newspaper polls and people's attitudes toward black leaders for slowing down the fulfillment of the vision. He said polls from predominantly white newspapers, such as the New York Times, have shown that white people are tired of hearing black people talk about race relations.

Menyweather-Woods said if King were here, he would not let attitudes like these slow his vision.

"You don't like Jesse? That's your problem. Where is the check?" Menyweather-Woods said. "You don't like Faracon? That's your problem. Where is the check? You don't like me? Don't matter. Where is the check?"

Menyweather-Woods said King's vision will never be fulfilled as long as the check remains uncashed.

"The vision, his dream, has not been fulfilled," Menyweather-Woods said. "The check has never been acknowledged by the banker. Freedom cannot ring if the check has not been cashed."

"Now is the time to make real the promises of democracy."
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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Wellness Stampede targets all

By A.M. Renee

In an effort to stem the tide of rising health care costs and lost productivity at UNO, the Wellness Stampede program is targeting all faculty, staff and students, encouraging lifestyle changes campus-wide.

Directed by Stacie Vainiunas, a graduate student in the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, the Wellness Stampede is the first successful campus wellness program to be established at UNO for 16 years.

Interdisciplinary in its approach, the program draws on resources from all over campus, including the Women's Resource Center, Student Health Services, Counseling Services, Exercise Science and Environmental Science.

David Daniels, assistant director for fitness/wellness and instructional programs, had been frustrated by the failure of similar programs to get off the ground in the past.

"Programs like this are a tremendous amount of work, and there was just no one to do it," Daniels said.

Last year, funding for the project was approved, and Vainiunas was hired to direct the program. Armed with a degree in Exercise Science and pursuing her masters of science in fitness and wellness management, Vainiunas is now also getting a healthy dose of the administrative side of a fitness program.

"She has put in tons of hours getting this program working and underway," Daniels

said. "No one before has been able to get all the other departments coordinated and cooperating."

Vainiunas says for the moment, her biggest problem is getting the word out to faculty, staff and students.

"I feel that this is an important program, helping people make positive changes to improve their overall health," Vainiunas. "If they take a moment to check it out, they'll see how easy it is to get started."

A component of the Wellness Stampede is an incentive program called "Mav Tracks," in which participants may accumulate points for wellness activities.

In addition to earning points for living by healthy standards such as a better diet and more exercise, Mav Tracks also credits things such as wearing seat belts, visiting a physician for preventive screening tests and even attending church.

The Mav Track incentive program is free to participate in, and earned points can be cashed in for various prizes.

The Wellness Stampede will also be organizing other health educational activities including screenings, classes, workshops and guest lecturers. Beginning Jan. 26, a free drop-in Mind and Body Exercise class will meet over the lunch hour.

Program organizers are also discussing the nutrition selection available on campus, hoping to offer healthier alternatives in vending machines and in the Milo Bail Student Center.

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In the second period, Zanon scored from the blue-line to give UNO a 2-1 edge.

Wong, a 6-foot center, broke away and scored in the second to capture his team-leading fourth game-winner of the season.

"I think we changed the momentum of the game," Wong said. "They got the first quick-one. We should have come out a lot harder."

Ellis' deflection of Harrison's penalty shot symbolized the impressive performance he possessed over the Mav-Wildcat series. Harrison had been pulled down on a breakaway, and was awarded the one-on-one against Ellis.

Team shoot-outs on Thursdays helped Ellis prepare for the shot.

"I tried to relax and let him make the first move," Ellis said.

NMU's penalties by Chris Gobert and

Brent Robertson resulted in two second-period Maverick goals.

"Their power play and Ellis were the difference," Comley said. "Five-on-five we were a better team. But, we took too many penalties."

Smith's second score came in the third period. James Chalmers' assist gave UNO its third power-play goal.

"That was huge," Smith said. "Our power play hasn't been clicking as much as we'd like."

Kemp agreed UNO's special teams and goaltending played a major role in the win.

"We're in a conference race," Kemp said. "When we were getting out-shot, like the Mass-Lowell game, (Ellis) came up big and gave us the chance to win. When he gave us that chance, other guys took advantage."

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about parking concerns. Sen. Mallory Prucha asked permission for the meeting to be moved from the Milo Bail Student Center to University Village. The motion was granted.

Any student interested in helping "shape the future of the university" by participating in policy-making is requested to contact B.J. Reed in CPACS or check the strategic planning committee's Web page by visiting www.unomaha.edu/UNO/stratplan/.

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Student celebrates year of the snake

Laura Sanchez

For many of us, a new year started at midnight on Jan. 1, but for others the New Year is yet to arrive. China doesn't celebrate the New Year until Jan. 24th.

"Every year the celebration is different — it depends on the moon," said Zhen Zhan, a sophomore management information systems major.

The Chinese use both years — the typical calendar year known by most cultures in the world, and their own traditional one. For them, the year of the snake is right around the corner.

Zhan's family used to celebrate the Chinese New Year's Eve by getting together with relatives.

"All the family meets at grandma's house for a big dinner and we eat fish, chicken or duck," Zhan said. "We also watch a very famous TV program that evening on CCTV — the most famous Chinese television company."

The TV show is the Chinese equivalent of "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve," featuring entertainment by famous singers, dancers and Chinese talk shows.

But traditions are changing, so instead of meeting at a relative's home, many families get together in restaurants.

"Some families are very big, and it used to be very crowded," Zhan said. "That's why instead

people go to restaurants."

Once the New Year arrives, fireworks are shot into the sky for an hour.

"It's very nice but also dangerous — that's why fireworks are not allowed anymore unless you go to the countryside," Zhan said.

It's traditional in China to exchange money with the teenagers or college students present at the New Year's celebration. Wealthy families will have amounts of \$400, \$600 or \$800, because Chinese lucky numbers are four, six and eight.

With the arrival of the snake year, the Chinese will enjoy a week free of obligation. Different cultures, different traditions.

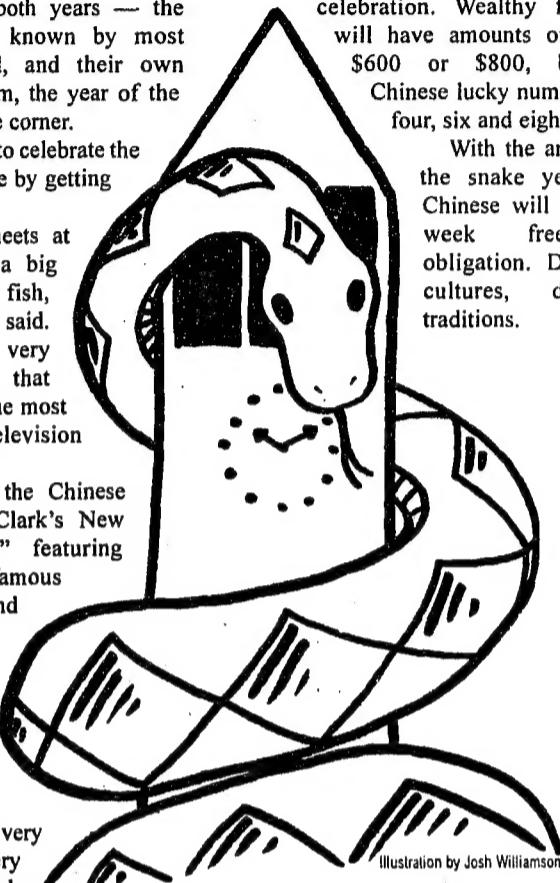


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The smoke screen of affirmative action



Devil's Advocate
column by Jeff Davis

"Suit after suit after suit, dollar after dollar after dollar, and still there is no end to racial discrimination in the workplace."

-- "Carrying the Torch"
by Carlean Ponder

Does anyone other than myself see anything wrong with the above quote?

Maybe not, but I've got this column and hence, a soapbox.

If you're trying to climb a building and repeatedly fall off, do you sue the people who made the building to make it shorter, or do you do the wise thing and take the elevator inside? I'm sure that lawyers and their ilk would love to see people keep climbing the outsides of buildings over and over — after all, it pays the bills.

I'm thinking that maybe everyone should take a different approach. The only things a person can rely on to get to the top of the building and make a better life for him or herself should be hard work, determination and some luck. Some people need more of one than the other, but everyone needs all three to some degree if they're going to raise themselves up and make something of themselves.

Recently, I talked to a friend of mine from junior high named Jason Huang who, back then, was flat out on the bottom of the financial totem pole. His mother was one of the last Vietnamese refugees who made it out of Vietnam during the final days of American evacuation. Back in Vietnam she was a farmer's wife and harvested rice for a living. She arrived here with nothing more than three shirts, two pairs of pants, the pair of shoes that she had on when she left the war zone and a work ethic that would make the Amish jealous.

My friend's mother met up with some friendly refugees in Westminster, Calif., and started to work at a restaurant for at least 15 hours a day. She met a nice Vietnamese gentleman who had arrived on an earlier boat and was in the same financial straits as she. Jason's mom took the morning off, married the lucky fellow and went back to work.

She had her first child and still kept on working.

They both worked like sled dogs so they were able to put a small payment down on a smallish mall restaurant that sold pies and croissants.

They bought the place just as my friend had entered high school and his younger brother entered the fifth grade.

The whole family worked at that little

mall shop while living in a small, two-bedroom apartment nearby. His mom would work in the mornings and his dad would work the evenings. I remember going there sometimes and eating croissant sandwiches which were excellent.

By the time Jason was ready for college, so was Mrs. Huang's bank account, and now he's attending Berkley (which coincidentally has quite a few Asian students who have the same story) going for his masters in engineering.

When I hear people complaining about the lack of opportunity, I think about my friend a lot. I think about the Vietnamese people who came to America and how I never really hear them asking for affirmative action programs.

Heck, Berkley in recent years has done everything short of sending out letters saying "I'm sorry, but we have too many Asian students on scholarship right now." There's obviously been some problem with racial discrimination in America if an under-represented segment of the population back in the '70s is now dominating U.C. campuses.

Jason's family didn't have much to start out with, but they had determination.

They used hard work.

And the luck was there — Jason's mom was able to get to America and smart enough to be grateful.

The opportunity is out there — like it or not. It just requires someone to recognize it, to take advantage of it.

Repeated lawsuits, slavery reparations, Jesse Jackson, Hillary Clinton — none of these can or will ever give blacks or anyone else an equal economic standing, and none of those things should.

Our obsession with "diversity" is at odds with Martin Luther King's dream of a colorblind society, where people will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

Keeping moms and dads together, keeping them both working, and letting them earn what they can and do the best that they can for themselves and their children will work. It can't help but work.

It has worked in the past for countless diverse ethnic groups like the Irish, the Italians and the Polish Jews.

It will work. People will move up the ladder. But they have to want it and want it badly enough to do it for themselves. It's the American way.

I don't think people who believe affirmative action is the way to go like to hear about hard work, determination and luck. I think they will be loud, obnoxious and continue to demand a false "diversity." It's sad, but they will continue to demand and scream and yell things they don't earn for a long, long time.

I doubt the next Mrs. Huang will be listening. She'll be too busy.

Letters to the editor?

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Stem cell research should continue at NU

Staff Editorial

The controversy about stem cell (or fetal tissue) research in the University of Nebraska system is not over. Pro-life groups are

Our position: Banning stem cell research will cripple NU's positive medical advances, but it won't decrease abortions

Nebraska's citizens. While we understand this uninformed view is limited to a vocal minority, that minority managed to get a proposed bill in the Legislature which would ban stem cell research.

vigorously trying to get the research banned by the Unicameral.

The specific procedures under fire utilize cells from elective abortions for medical research.

It is our position that the research should continue because the NU system does it in a way that respects the pro-life point of view as much as possible. Some extremist groups would have Nebraskans believe otherwise.

As a staff we are divided concerning abortion. Some of us are strongly pro-choice while others are solidly pro-life. Despite our varying beliefs concerning abortion, the editorial staff members of the Gateway unanimously unite to support the research conducted at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln utilizing stem cells.

That's because abortion and stem cell research are not the same thing.

One of the biggest misconceptions being spread by extremist groups is pro-life citizens have an obligation to oppose stem cell research. That is simply not true: supporting continued stem cell research does not require sacrificing a pro-life viewpoint.

The research is ultimately life-supporting because it is advancing toward therapies and cures for cancer, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis and spinal cord injuries, among others.

Halting embryonic cell usage would debilitate this positive research without affecting the abortion rates at all.

Some of the extremist groups would have Nebraskans believe that babies are aborted just to get tissue for research, and the cells are used with wanton disregard for the ethical and moral feelings of

It would rather see the research completely obliterated than support UNMC's effort to find alternative sources when possible, crippling NU's research funding and still failing to prevent abortions.

We respect people who are uncomfortable using fetal tissue for research; many of our staff members feel the same way. However, we cannot respect an attempt to terminate NU's research by groups equating the research with baby killing.

NU understands that many Nebraskans believe a fetus is a life from the moment of conception. Researchers are attempting to find other ways to conduct their research, but alternative sources haven't been discovered yet.

A ban on stem cell research in Nebraska will ensure that alternative sources are never found, and research using embryonic cells will be conducted everywhere *except* Nebraska, leaving NU in the dust of its peer research institutions.

We encourage concerned Nebraskans to support the ethical guidelines and recommendations of the NU Bioethics Advisory Committee, which will be discussed at a public hearing in Lincoln Jan. 23.

In its report, the committee recommends using stem cells only when other cells will not work for proposed research, and only after the need for stem cell utilization has been determined by a panel of scientific experts.

The stem cell research NU is conducting has enormous potential for saving human lives. No one will benefit from aborting it.

What do you think about stem cell research?

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**Capel Cottage
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column by David Johnson

Cruisin' the News

- **Less Than The Full Monty ... Python**

Ghana's government is concerned because of a 40 percent drop last year in the export of pythons. At \$2-\$3 per snake, Ghana cannot compete with neighboring Togo and Benin, two countries also sending pythons to the U.S. and Europe. The snakes are sold as pets or for scientific research. Python skins are made into highly priced shoes, bags and belts. "Larger ones are sometimes used as delicacies in restaurants," Ghana Forestry Commission office Brian Busuglo said.

Of course, a diet of python can be rather constricting.

- **Dream Lover**

A recent Harlequin Enterprises global poll of 5,484 men and women showed more than 75 percent have erotic fantasies, but only 45 percent act them out. The Latin-lover Argentineans and Chileans led the list, 95 percent admitting to erotic fantasies. The Japanese hugged the bottom with only 50 percent admitting to fantasies. The most interesting stat concerned Danish women. They were the most faithful, with 58 percent saying they fantasized only about their husbands.

Well, that far north, I guess it's either their husbands or Sven the garden gnome.

- **A Robustus Diet**

Lucinda Backwell, a scientist at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa, says her analysis of 3.3 million-year-old robustus apeman remains found in the Sterkfontein caves shows they were not strictly vegetarians, but ate termites. Researchers had previously been baffled as to why the protein-type carbon, C-4, was found in robustus remains, but new microscopic and computer image analysis shows the apemen drilled for termites using long, thin bone tools.

Perhaps we should call him Orkinopithecus

robustus.

- **Virtual Voyeurism**

Dominic Choy of Cammeray, New South Wales, Australia, has invented what he calls a "virtual reality sex doll." It is a "lifelike flexible mannequin covered with imitation skin," and is powered by tiny motors. Users put on a reality headset which can be programmed to make you see the doll as a famous actor, actress or pop star. Physical contact is simulated.

The Catherine Zeta-Jones model is sold out, but there are still plenty of Rosanne Barr models on the shelf. Order now, loser.

- **Fliers Can't Ketchup With Breakfast**

Lt. Col. Iain Thompson, commander of the 9th Army Air Corps in Dishforth, England, has banned Heinz Tomato Ketchup from the officer's mess breakfast table because he views its use as "ungentlemanly and unseemly." Pilots of Her Majesty's Lynx and Gazelle tank-buster helicopters obviously do not "relish" the new order and have voiced some opposition. Still, the order stands.

Take away all those morning vitamins found in ketchup and pretty soon those pilots won't be able to cut the mustard.

- **But Honey, You'll Sleep Better**

A survey conducted by Work Life Balance Center last week shows 10 percent of all workers come home too tired and stressed to have sex. Close to 75 percent of women and 50 percent of men said their health has suffered due to long hours on the job. "Symptoms range from general fatigue and sleeplessness to serious mental and physical breakdowns, and being too tired for sex," Julie said.

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Movie review

review by T.J. Accola

Drug addiction is a well that many filmmakers have drawn from — a cinematic genre that has seen more than a few turns at greatness including "Trainspotting," "Drugstore Cowboy" and "Jesus' Son." But after viewing Darren Aronofsky's "Requiem for a Dream," one can only think that perhaps the makers of the aforementioned films were drawing from the wrong well altogether.

If you think "Trainspotting," "The Basketball Diaries," or any other addiction movie gave a realistic depiction of drug addiction, then you are wrong. "Requiem for a Dream" makes those films look like public service announcements.

With the stylistic innovation of Aronofsky ("Pi") and the harrowing authenticity of the original Hubert Selby Jr. novel, "Requiem for a Dream" is unrelenting in its depiction of drug addiction.

However, "Requiem for a Dream" isn't the usual chic/postmodernist take on youngsters in the grip of drugs. Yes, three of the four central characters are young — but "Requiem for a Dream" hardly concerns itself with that fact. The film also relates the tale of an elderly woman who becomes addicted to diet pills (along with a few other non-pharmaceutical things).

Sarah Goldfarb (Ellen Burstyn) is a widower living in Brighton Beach. Her son Harry (Jared Leto) routinely steals her television and pawns it for drug money for himself, friend Tyrone (Marlon Wayans) and girlfriend Marion (Jennifer Connelly). Sarah herself leads a solitary existence that consists of endless hours in front of the television. That is, until she receives a phone call promising her an appearance on a television game show. Determined to fit into the red dress that her deceased husband "loved," Sarah begins taking — and subsequently becomes addicted to — diet pills (which, as we are told, is basically speed in a bottle).

Meanwhile, Harry, Tyrone and Marion break into the small-time drug dealing business, amassing undreamed of amounts of money — enough to finance a fashion

Requiem for a Dream

boutique for Marion. However, as the rules of drug addiction films mandate, it all comes crashing down. Middlemen at best, Harry and Tyrone are eventually unable to secure enough product to both sell and feed their own addictions. So begins the downward spiral.

What separates "Requiem for a Dream" from other addiction films is its utter lack of mercy — for both the audience and for its own characters. It is that sympathy that gave films such as "Trainspotting" and others an inauthentic hint. After all, real-life drug addiction is not nearly so forgiving — a point that "Requiem for a Dream" drives home like a kick to the groin.

Aronofsky is unrelenting in his pursuit to capture the rituals of drug use. Images of the routines that all four main characters run through again and again bombard the viewer. But even more harrowing and disturbing are the ultimate fates of the four. Just which one suffers the hardest fall is a trite question that is quite unanswerable.

In terms of tone and subject matter, "Requiem for a Dream" is the perfect complement to another of last year's best movies, "Traffic." While "Traffic" depicted a sweeping panoramic view of the United States' seemingly futile and distant war against drugs, "Requiem for a Dream" conveys the more interior consequences of drugs — a more personal vision, if you will. Where "Traffic" merely hinted at the downside of drug addiction through the daughter of Michael Douglas' character, "Requiem for a Dream" fills in the missing holes "Traffic" passed over. And despite the overall excellence of "Traffic," that is what ultimately makes "Requiem for a Dream" its inverse — the superior movie — as it is both more relevant and affecting for the viewer.

"Requiem for a Dream" is not an uplifting film in any sense, but that is what makes it so great. It is both disturbing and unsettling, but in the greatest sense of both words. Add to the mix stylistic flourishes that put David Fincher's pretentious work in "Fight Club" to shame, and "Requiem for a Dream" lays claim to being the best movie of last year.

Grade: A

Flash Cadillac: Flashback to the '50s

review by David M. Johnson

Sam McFadin, Warren Knight, Dwight Bement and Dave "Thumper" Henry, otherwise known as Flash Cadillac, put on a two-hour show Saturday night at the Orpheum Theater. It was a night which can only be described as a rockin' feel-good event.

"We're backed by the Omaha Symphony," Knight told the crowd. "That makes us the only 70-piece rock 'n roll band around. It was tough finding a garage to practice in, though."

From the beginning beat of "Dancing in the Street" through the encore round "Twistin' the Night Away," Flash Cadillac had the revved-up audience eating out of its hands. All in all, the University of Colorado show band jammed through 23 sing-along songs, including "Pretty Woman," "Penny Lane," "Great Balls of Fire," "Splish Splash," "Roll over Beethoven" and "Jailhouse Rock."

The loudest applause, however, was reserved for an antic-filled rendition of "Whiter Shade of Pale," lead by Knight, but not without "assistance" from McFadin. McFadin had left the stage, but came back

on to sing the one line of harmony in the bridge, took a deep bow, then walked back off stage with the help of a stage hand who gave the tired singer some water and draped a towel around his neck.

The Omaha Symphony, under the direction of Ernest Richardson, provided perfect accompaniment. Steven Erickson's piccolo trumpet on "Penny Lane" was splendid, as was the orchestra's blending of "The Theme from the Magnificent 7" with "Sweet Little Sixteen" and the blare of the entire brass section on the basic blues number "Hold On, I'm Coming."

"We were a little intimidated about playing with the orchestra — all those notes on the pages ... what's that about?" Knight said. "Then we realized they knew the same three chords we do, and it all worked out."

Flash Cadillac formed in 1969 and has appeared on "Happy Days," "American Bandstand," "The Tonight Show," "Midnight Special" and "In Concert." Movie credits include "American Graffiti" and "Apocalypse Now." The band is currently featured as the house band on the nationally broadcast "Super Gold" radio show.



photo by Chris Machan

"Further Endangerment: Ciba-Geigy at the Gates of Paradise" by Bonnie O'Connell. Ants have unexpectedly started to carry off parts of the exhibit.

Faculty art exhibit offers variety

Melissa Kucirek

Several UNO faculty artists' works are currently on display at the UNO Art Gallery. Amid planting seeds, towers and an underwater video camera, the event is certainly worth taking a look.

"Further Endangerment: Ciba-Geigy at the gates of Paradise" is a mixed-media exhibit made of paper, wood, glass, beeswax, ground and whole seeds and pomegranates. Artist Bonnie O'Connell's work is eye-catching and quite interesting. Test-tubes containing seeds are on either side of the main spice rack, clothesline-like arrangement of seeds. Below the contraption painted in garden green are the words "our mother of the growing fields, our Mother of the streams will have pity on us. For to whom do we belong? Whose seeds are we?"

Just under the phrase are more seeds, which are arranged in a sun-like pattern. Different colors and varieties of seeds (sunflower, coffee beans, dried peas, corn, etc.) stream out from a center configuration, like rays of sun. Something the artist may have not counted on are the plethora of ants invading the seeds.

O'Connell's piece is what she calls a "response to alarming usurpation of the control of plant and seed production by corporate biotechnology."

She dedicates the work to the "grain goddess."

Donald Heise's "Tolerance Tower" is a mixed-media exhibit, in the shape of a school steeple. Gold-lettered phrases like "Safe Schools at All Costs," "Ethics, Tolerance, Justice, Trust," "Trust the System" and "Only Some of Us Listen" cover the painted-white tower. Five clocks, assumed to represent the five school days, are found on the work of art. Toy army men surround the lower base of the tower, along with several symbols of violence attached to the wood.

Barbara Simcoe's work, which includes "Four Madonnas" and "Anonymous Saint in Ecstasy," use similar themes of religion. Both paintings are oil on linen and utilize browns and oranges, recollecting El Greco's work. In "Madonnas" several hands are illuminated, inviting the viewer to embrace the painting.

A punching bag-shaped container filled with water is the product of Scott Yoell's "Optical Mirror." Inside the lava-like object are water and a camera attached to a television above. The viewer is projected onto the screen.

In addition to these works, Larry Bradshaw, Gary Day, Jaime Lee Hackbart, David Helm, Susan McGilvrey, Henry Serenco, Jeff Spencer and Frances Thurber have displayed artwork.

The UNO Art Gallery is located in the Weber Fine Arts Building. The exhibition runs until Feb. 2. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Opera opportunity

UNO students can obtain discounted tickets to Opera Omaha's upcoming double bill performances of Ruggiero Leoncavallo's "Pagliacci" and Carl Orff's "Carmina Burana."

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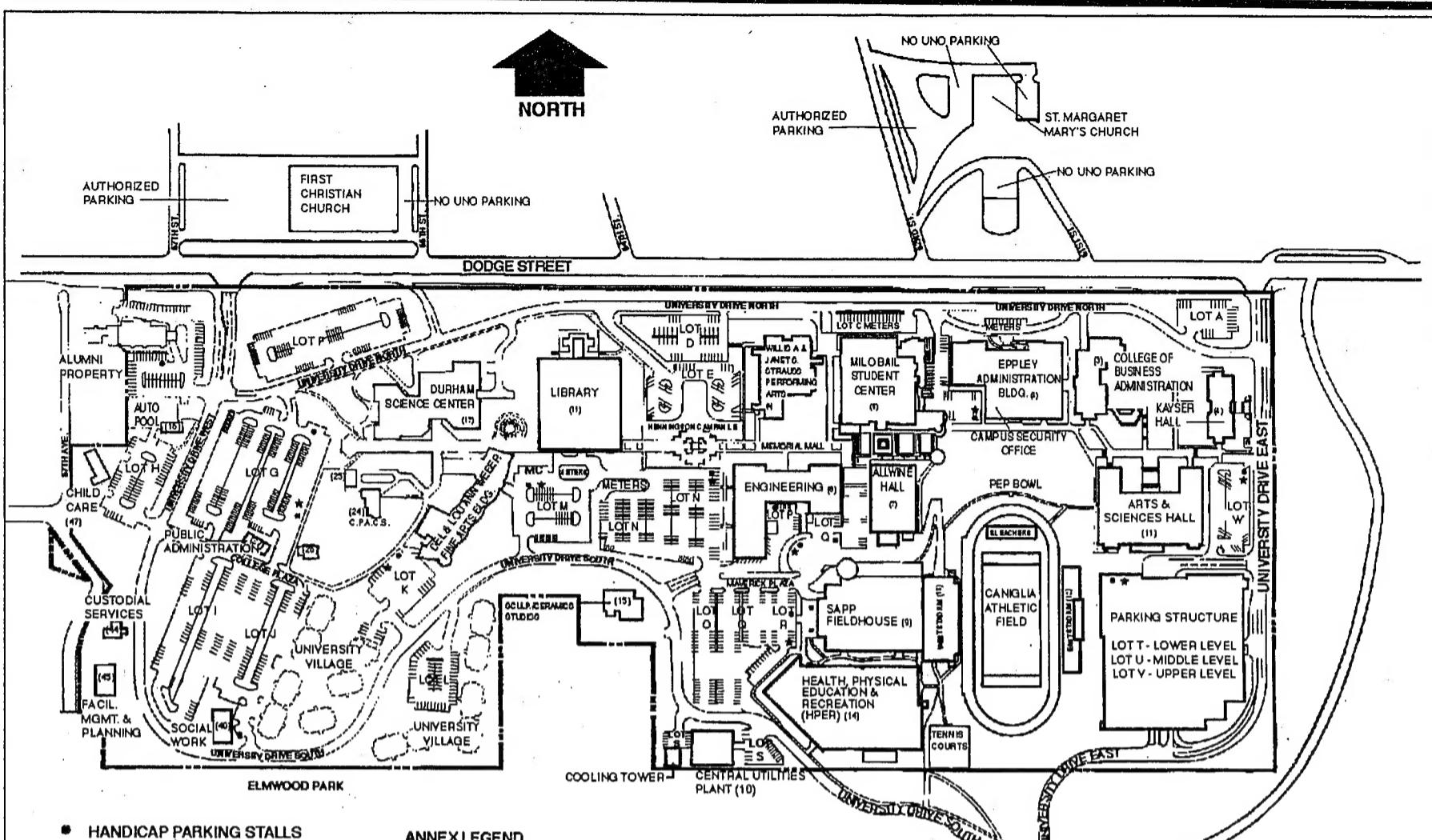
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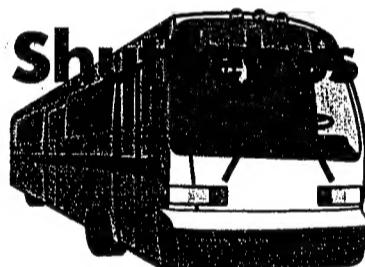
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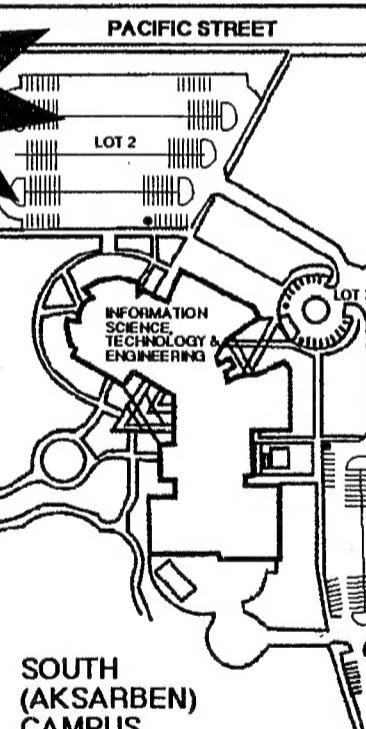
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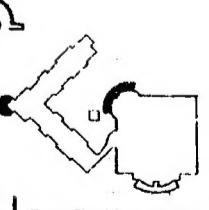
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Basketball Update

Cory Carlson

Women gain road split

UNO improved to the .500 mark in North Central Conference play on Friday beating South Dakota State, then took a step backward in a double-digit loss to Augustana on Saturday. Head Coach Lisa Carlsen's crew now stands 6-11, 4-5 in the NCC.

UNO 66-62 South Dakota State

Junior guard Jennifer Mitchell sunk two clutch-free throws with 12.7 seconds to go to lift the Mavs over the Jackrabbits for UNO's third straight road win. The game was played in front of 1,619 fans in Brookings, S.D.

UNO had four players in double figures, including a game-high 16 by Mitchell.

Sara Peterson solidified the strong backcourt play with a career-high 15 points. The sophomore guard hit 6-9 from the floor and 3-5 behind the arc. Peterson also contributed four rebounds, three steals and an assist.

UNO held SDSU to just 31.9 percent shooting in the game, but trailed until Peterson's three with just over a minute to go.

The Mavs trailed by four at the break, but climbed back into the ball game with steady shooting from three-point land (8-17).

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Men get first conference win

UNO gained a split, losing to South Dakota Friday at Brookings, S.D., but getting a much-needed win over Augustana Saturday at Sioux Falls. The Mavericks improved to 1-8 in the North Central Conference, 7-10 overall.

South Dakota State 83-57 UNO

Basketball aficionados say, "you live by the three, you die by the three." The Mavs did more of the latter, missing 14 of 16 shots from behind the arc for a 12.5 three-point shooting percent.

The Jackrabbits finished with four players in double figures, including a game-high 16 points from center Josh Cerveny. SDSU had the hot hand most of the night, shooting 54.4 percent from the floor.

UNO was led by sophomore forward Dan Morrow who scored 12 points on 4-8 from the floor.

The Mavs shot just 33.9 percent in the game, and were out-rebounded 42-30.

UNO 75-74 Augustana

The Mavs jumped out in front 47-40 at half-time and held on to defeat the Vikings by a single point in front of 2,451 at Elmen Center-Hall Forum in Sioux Falls, S.D.

UNO received a big game from sophomore guard Seth Nelson who tallied a game-high 24 points. Junior forward Eddie King recorded a double-double (16 points and 10 boards).

The Mavs came out with a vengeance, shooting 52.9

see Men's, page 11

Family and Olympic trials motivate swimmer for success

Cory Carlson

Jamie Haferbier clearly stands out as one of the rising stars on the swimming and diving team at UNO. She is a provisional NCAA tournament qualifier in three individual events, as well as one of the anchors on the 200-meter relay team.

Haferbier is a biology major and hopes to graduate in two years. Her twin sister Jodie also swims for UNO.

"We've (Jodie and I) always done pretty much the same sports throughout high school and when we were younger," Haferbier said. "It would be strange if she wasn't on the team with me."

The junior cites many influences on her sporting life to this point.

"My parents have been a big influence," she said. "They don't put pressure on me at all, but they've really been supportive and happy with everything I do."

Haferbier is not the first person in the family to be successful in the pool. Aunt Barb Edgar swam at UNO.

"My aunt used to swim here before they had a collegiate team," she said. "She swam on the club team here."

The Northwest High grad credits Head Coach Todd Samland with being a steady influence on her growth as a swimmer.

"He's really taught me a lot about stroke-technique, endurance training, and how important it is to train year-around," Haferbier said. "In high

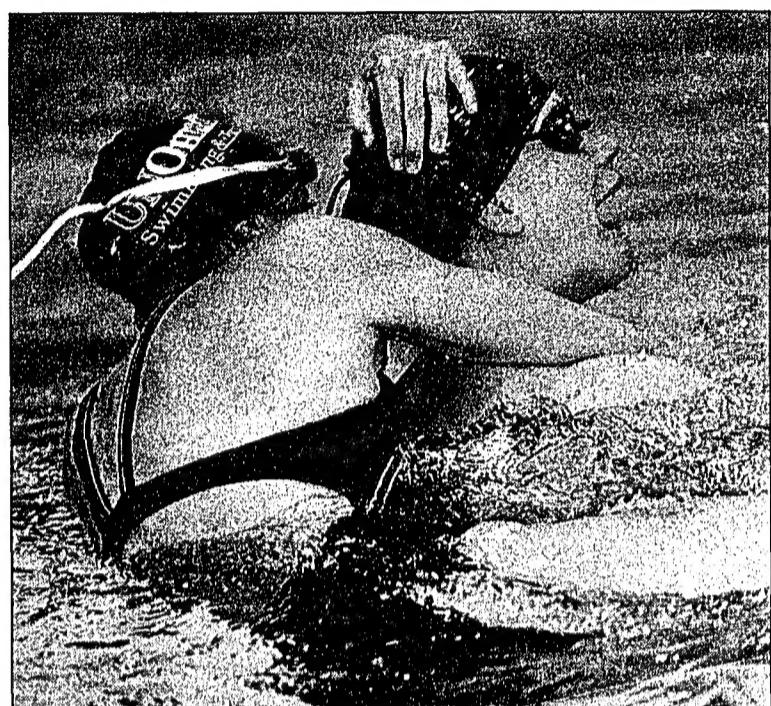


photo by Josh Williamson

Kristy Malone tries to pull Jamie Haferbier underwater during a break between practice laps.

school, I used to get nervous. Coach Samland has taught me a lot about the mental side of swimming."

Haferbier also talked about what goes through her mind when she swims an event.

"There are so many things ... my strategy, some stroke technique, or 'what's that girl doing over there' and 'I'm way up here and where's everyone else,'" she said.

Haferbier has aspirations beyond

swimming for UNO and earning her degree.

"My coach has mentioned training for the Olympic trials," she said. "I would have to train for four years straight."

Haferbier is an All-American. She placed sixth at the NCAA Tournament in 2000, and holds school records in eight events. Look for her to make even more of a splash in 2001.

Grapplers draw unlucky straw at duals

Melissa Kucirek

UNO had the nightmare draw at the Cliff Keen National Duals held over the weekend at Penn State University.

First there was NCAA Division I No. 6 Oklahoma in the first round of the Cliff Keen National Duals. The Mavericks dropped eight of ten weight classes to fall 36-6.

Following the Sooner win, UNO found itself in the consolation bracket where it faced NCAA Division III No. 1 Montclair State. Despite a forfeit in the heavyweight category, the Mavs won 22-21. That victory pitted Head Coach Mike Denney's grapplers against Division I Michigan in the second round consolation bracket. The Wolverines smothered the Mavs 37-6.

The trip wasn't all bad news. UNO won its Thursday dual over Pittsburgh-Johnstown 23-13 in Johnstown, Pa.

UNO 23-13 Johnstown

Matt LaRock (125 pounds) improved to 22-1 with a 1-0 nail-biter over Brandon Newill, leading the Division II No. 1 Mavericks to a 23-13 win over No. 5 Pittsburgh-Johnstown Jan. 18.

Flight delays ... and ... missed

connections got Denney's team to Johnstown just 15 minutes before the scheduled start. It looked as if the travel glitches might have gotten to the Mavs. UNO lost the first two contests, but came back with a vengeance, winning seven straight.

Scott Antoniak's 3-1 decision over

Oklahoma took eight of 10 contests and won the match 36-6. The Mavericks dropped into the consolation round against Montclair State.

LaRock started the machine with a 11-1 major decision over Montclair State's Seamus McGuinness. Ricky

Frausto (133) then took John Laffan for a 9-4 decision.

Alan Cartwright (157), Blu Wahle (165) and Zach Stalder (174) went on a UNO rampage to give the Mavs a 16-12 margin.

Chad Wallace's pin of Dan Geleta at the 5:20 mark in the 197-pound round sealed the consolation win for UNO.

That 22-21 victory meant the Mavs had to face Michigan in the second round consolation.

LaRock continued his fine weekend with a 3-2 decision over Wolverine A.J. Grant to give UNO the early 3-0 lead. Michigan reeled off six straight wins before Antoniak's 9-6 win over Andy Hrovat in a match which saw the Michigan team assessed a one-point penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct.

When the dust cleared, however, the scoreboard read: Michigan 37, UNO 6.



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Flight delays ... and ... missed

From devastation to victory

part three

Melissa Kucirek

Every summer thousands of Hell's Angels, motorcycle enthusiasts and adventure-seeking tourists pack their gear, pull on their leather jackets and motorcade to Sturgis, S.D., home of UNO wrestler Les Sigman.

While Sigman may not be the renegade of wrestling, he is making a statement when it comes to dealing with adversity. Sigman has shown his wrestling teammates and mentors that he has what it takes despite bumps in the gravel road.

The freshman wrestler underwent surgery on Labor Day due to rare acute compartment syndrome. The emergency surgery relieved the pain and pressure his leg muscles were putting on his right leg due to the injury.

A large portion of Sigman's calf muscle was removed, and rehabilitation focused on teaching the remaining muscles to do the job of the missing muscle.

Doctors and coaches figured Sigman wouldn't be able to compete in the first tournament of the season, and whispered about red-shirting the 197-pound mechanical engineering major.

Their calculations were wrong.

"As a freshman he brought in a style that is real competitive," Assistant Coach Roye Oliver said. "His attitude is no fear. He's mentally tough and it's real."

Sigman, the son of Alen and Donna Sigman, entered the first tournament for NCAA Division II No. 1 UNO on Nov. 11. Sigman joined teammates senior Mack LaRock, sophomore Zach Stalder and sophomore Chad Wallace on the victory stand with first place honors.

At the Nov. 18 Kaufman-Brand Open held at Sapp Fieldhouse, Sigman continued his domination. Participating in the 20-and-under division at the nation's largest wrestling meet, Sigman beat Iowa's Trey Clark 5-4 in the finals to grab the title.

He was also named the tournament's outstanding wrestler in his division.

In early December, Sigman took second-place accolades at the Northern Iowa Open, pushing his overall record to 11-1.

Then the silence, a quiet similar to Sigman's persona, came again.

He needed surgery again. This time it was knee problems — nothing to do with the acute compartment syndrome.

Sigman underwent knee surgery Jan. 17. Head Coach Mike Denney knows how discouraged Sigman is and hopes to see him back in action later in the season. Wrestling in open tournaments will be an option.

"With cartilage he can be back within a couple weeks," Denney said.

Sigman came to UNO because of its nationally-ranked team and the few familiar faces. Former three-time All-American and Assistant Coach Boyce Voorhees and sophomore Brook Voorhees both hail from Sigman's alma mater, Sturgis High School. While at Sturgis, Sigman took high school All-American honors, placing first at the state tournament his senior year. As a junior he placed second at state.

In 1999 he joined Team South Dakota and competed in the Scholastic "Disney" Duals at Walt Disney World. He notched an 8-1 record at the tournament, helping his team to the duals championship.

"UNO has such a good program here," Sigman said. "They're really consistent. I just want to give it my all and when I make

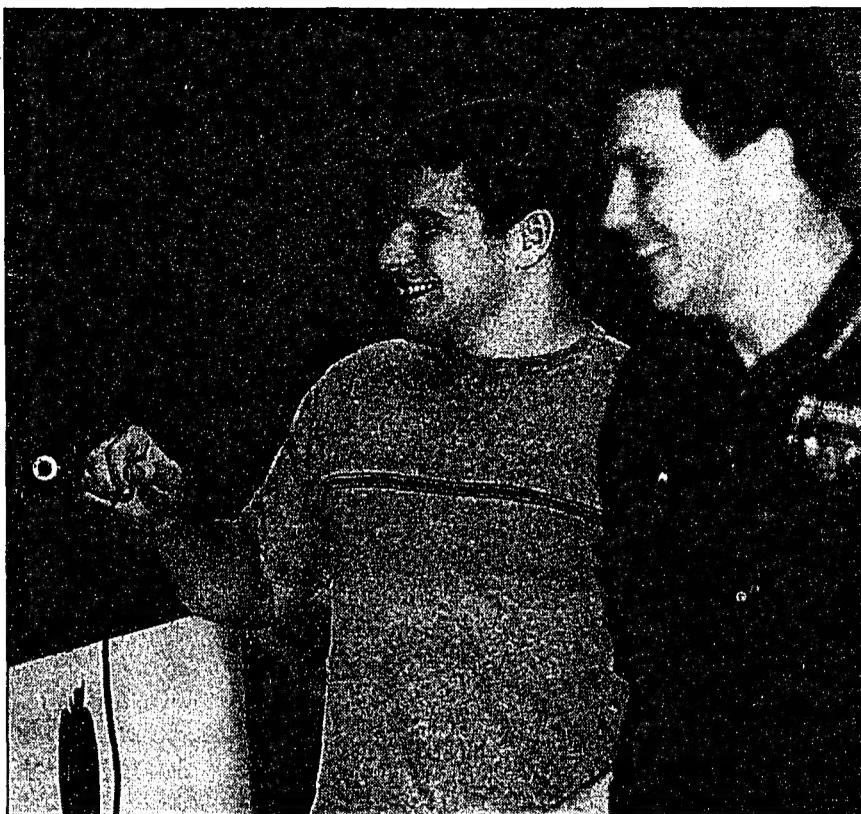


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Les Sigman and Head Coach Mike Denney at a recent tournament.

mistakes to learn from them."

Sigman's goals may have changed from the start of the season but he continues to train hard and focus on the challenge at hand.

"I have learned that it takes a lot of hard work and dedication in college wrestling to be successful," Sigman said. "But I have to have goals to help me become the best I can be."

Sigman has been called quiet by his teammates. He agrees with the description

and says it fits. He keeps to himself and focuses on his workouts and getting as many matches in as he can.

"I want to finish on a good note," Sigman said

As soon as he is finished with rehabilitation, you can bet Sigman, who rides his motorcycle in his free time, will be making his road to glory, however bumpy it may be.

"He'll be a great one," Oliver said.

Tracksters at Doane and Iowa State

Cory Carlson

Omaha Skutt High School product junior Carly Lambert became an automatic qualifier for the NCAA Tournament in the 60-meter dash with her fifth-place finish in Ames in a time of 7.58 seconds.

UNO also got provisional qualifiers in three other events. The 4x400-meter relay team (Karisa Foight, Adrienne Danner, Jennifer Epley and Andrea Walker) finished second with a time of 3:53.04. Sophomore distance runner Natalie Malone provisionally qualified in the mile, finishing eighth with a time of

5:03.63.

At the Doane meet, sophomore Meredith Bliss finished second in the throwing event with a toss of 49 1/2 feet. Her effort earned her a provisional qualifying spot as well.

First-place finishers included junior Keonna Shaw in the 55 meters (7.34 seconds), senior April Scheer in the 1000-yard run (2:58.35), sophomore Sara Stricker who won the 2-mile in 11:57.90 and freshman Sarah Long who won the long jump, leaping 18'-1".

The thinclads travel next to St. Cloud, Minn. for the Husky Open on Jan. 27.

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A new fight for Title IX: What makes an activity a sport?

Christine Hollister

Colorado high school cheerleaders and their advocates are working to get their activity recognized under Title IX, the federal statute mandating equal opportunity for males and females in high school and college athletics.

If recognized under Title IX, cheerleading would be considered a sport, instead of simply an extracurricular activity.

"People seem to think cheerleaders are fluff," said Joyce Schaefer, former UNL cheerleader and current UNO cheerleading sponsor. "Cheerleaders have to follow everything just the same as the other athletes do by maintaining their physical condition, maintaining their GPA, competing and performing at the games. We follow NCAA rules, so through them we're considered athletes just like the softball, volleyball, basketball or football players," Schaefer said.

There are currently 25 girls on UNO's cheerleading squad. The cheerleaders have three-hour practices three times each week and lift weights three times a week. They may have up to four games each week to cheer for between men's and women's basketball, hockey, football and volleyball. In addition to their work supporting the athletic teams, cheerleaders also help with many university fundraisers and special events.

"We have a grueling year-round schedule which is hard on the girls," Schaefer said.

If cheerleading were to be included under Title IX, cheerleaders may be eligible for scholarships.

Currently, UNO provides returning cheerleaders with \$200 each semester to use toward books. The university also provides cheerleaders with two of their three uniforms, and helps with small travel expenses.

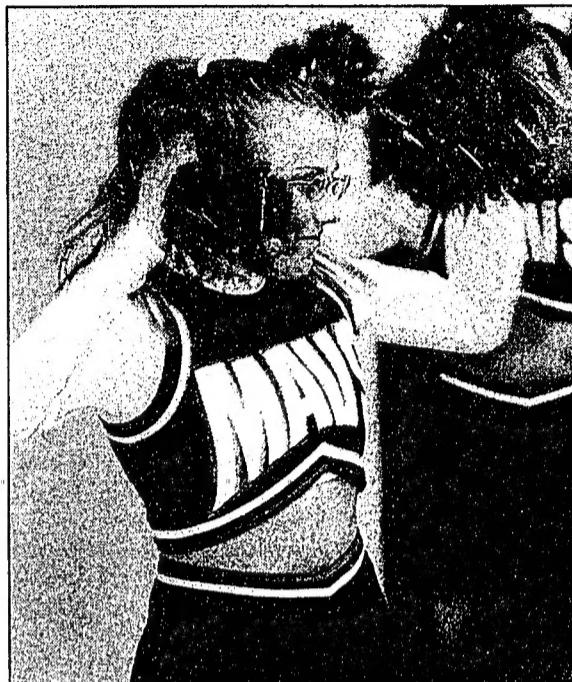
Stacy Hill, a senior biotechnology major and three-year UNO cheerleader, said she enjoys cheering and the involvement she gets on campus by being a cheerleader. She said the athletic department has been supportive of the cheerleaders, but she would like to see more.

"It would be enough if we could at least get our cheerleading stuff paid for," Hill said.

Hill said she has spent close to \$1,000 each year on additional required uniforms, training and travel while cheering at UNO. She says the demands have been difficult while trying to maintain her GPA and support herself with a job.

"There is a small stipend to pay our sponsor, but we each even have to pay our coach \$10 every month out of our own pockets," Hill said.

Associate Athletic Director Cherri Mankenberg said she was skeptical about cheerleading being included under Title IX. She considers the sports under the mandate to be only "competitive sports," and says she believes cheerleading is not an organized competitive team sport.



Katie Cinotto and the rest of the squad cheer for the Mavs at most games.

Cheerleaders do not compete intercollegiately within conference frameworks.

"We certainly appreciate and respect all our cheerleaders do," Mankenberg said. "But some people think just because women are in it that it's Title IX and it's a sport."

Hill said that cheerleading as a whole is becoming more competitive, and the UNO squad would like to go to more competitions if it had the funding. Currently, the squad competes in one competition each year and is holding extra practices to prepare for national competition March 9 in Minneapolis.

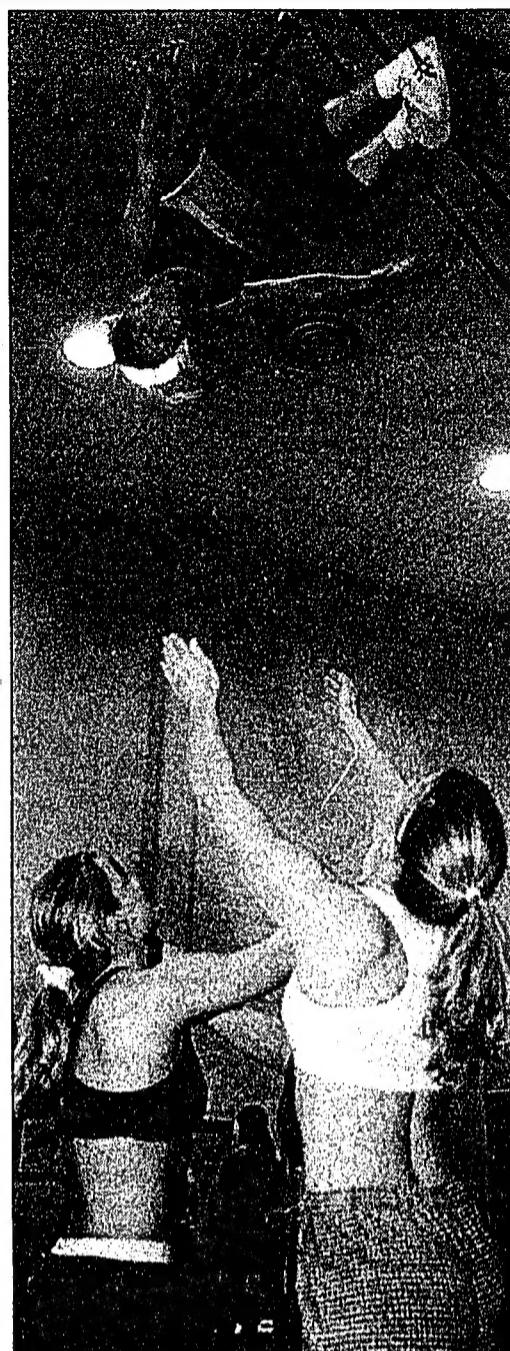
"The university is not helping us at all with funding for competition — we even have to take our own cars up there," Hill said. "And the basketball team goes to Hawaii all expenses paid."

Schaefer thinks by offering scholarships or additional funding to the cheerleading program, the university will be able to reward the girls for their hard work on the court and in the classroom.

"Title IX is all about equal opportunity in everything," Mankenberg said. "It's not just scholarships involved here."

Although talk of including cheerleading under Title IX is relatively new, Schaefer and Hill are hopeful about the future of cheerleading.

"Cheerleading has come so far in the past five years," Hill said. "I think it will come around."



Stacy Hill (left) and Lindsay Ackerman toss Liz Higgins into the air during a recent practice session.

photos by Josh Williamson

Swim team finishes second

Cory Carlson

The Mavs finished second to Truman State University scoring 56 points at the DakotaDome pool Jan. 19 in Vermillion, S.D. UNO outscored the hometown Coyotes, who accumulated just 29 points, and South Dakota State who managed just eight.

Junior Jamie Haerbier had a strong showing, finishing second in the 100-meter freestyle and the 200-meter medley relay. The medley relay team consists of Haerbier, her twin sister

Jodie, senior Kim Ferris and junior Aimee LaFave.

UNO also made its presence known in the 800-meter freestyle event with two swimmers finishing in the top six. Sophomores Breann Haney and Alissa Wysuph finished fourth and sixth, respectively.

Up next for UNO is a trip to St. Louis for the Washington University Invitational this weekend. The team returns home for its last home meet of the year on Feb. 3, when it faces Northern Colorado in the HPER Building.

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Predictions by Madame Zora

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Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

This week you have an incredible urge to go swimming. Unfortunately since it's winter and freezing, you can't take an outside dip. Rather, fill up your tub and splash around.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

Find your target audience this week — a group of people you will follow around, talk their ears off and eventually turn them into tiny little Martian beings.

Aries (March 21 - Apr. 19)

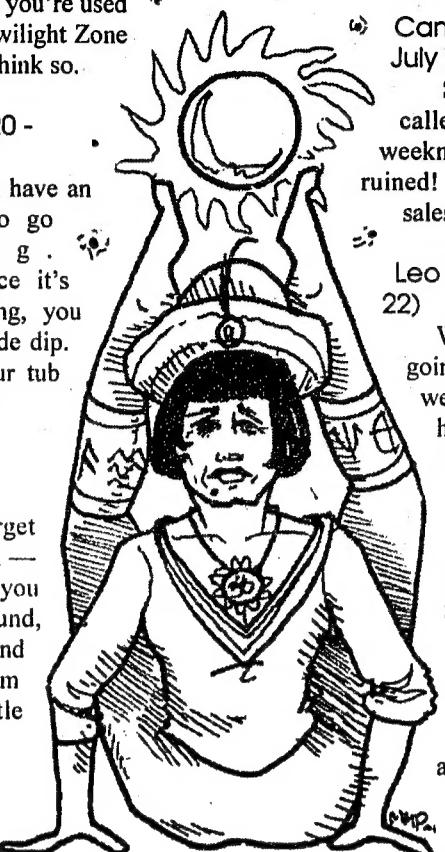
Yeah, you're brave. I would go far as to say nacho!! Oops, I meant macho. Well now I just wrecked it!

Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20)

Watch out for the bull. It'll be purple with gold horns and three piercings in its nose.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

So your disk got stuck in the



computer again! That's it, that's the last straw — Bill Gates, I'll see you after class!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

Since the coming of caller ID, your weeknights have been ruined! No more shoe salesman prank calls.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

Wherever you are going to be going this week, leave at least 2 hours early because you will be catching every single red light.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

This week your power color is police car white. This should not actually involve a white police car.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

All you want to eat is pizza. Nothing but big cheesy slices of mouth-watering pizza... hold on, I'll be back.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

This week, stay far away from Sagittarius.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Bite me, and then bite me again.

from Men's, page 8

percent in the first half including 6-8 from three-point range.

There were 13 lead changes, and the score was tied on eight different occasions. Both teams battled to the end.

The Vikings were led by freshman guard Jon Wagner and junior forward Sean

Hilgenberg, both with 13 points.

UNO hit its free throws down the stretch, nailing 8-11 in the second half and 76.5 percent for the game.

The road stretch continues for UNO when they visit both North Dakota schools next weekend. The squad returns to home action on Friday Feb. 2 at 8 p.m. against South Dakota at the Sapp Fieldhouse.

from Women's, page 8

The Jackrabbits got a team-high 14 points from post player Karly Hegge.

Augustana 75-58 UNO

The Vikings capitalized on 25 Maverick turnovers to defeat UNO 75-58 in front of 2,001 fans at Elmen Center-Hall Forum in Sioux Falls Saturday.

AU scored 25 points off turnovers, and held the point advantage in the paint 24-10 to improve to 12-5, 6-3 in the conference.

UNO got another big night from junior guard Jennifer Mitchell who collected a team-high 16 points on 5-10 shooting from the field, and a perfect 5-5 from the charity stripe.

The Mavs fell behind the eight ball early,

down 38-25 at the break. UNO managed just 23 shots in the first half, compared to 38 shot attempts by the Vikings. The Mavericks managed to get to the line in the second half, draining 14-15 free throws.

But it was too little too late as AU pulled away. Forward Brittani Janssen had a team-high 16 points. Janssen shone for the Vikings all night, grabbing seven rebounds, three steals and recording three blocked shots.

UNO junior center Anne Bomstad led both teams with eight rebounds, all on the defensive glass.

UNO travels to both North Dakota schools next weekend to cap this long road trip. The team will be back at Sapp Fieldhouse Feb. 2 against South Dakota.

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ACROSS

- 1 Lyricist Sammy
- 5 Radar spot
- 9 Washington's successor
- 14 Sandwich cookie
- 15 First-rate
- 16 Defamation in writing
- 17 Farm building
- 18 Assemble
- 20 Flower
- 22 Departed
- 23 Relative
- 24 GOP member
- 26 Hardy heroine
- 27 Incapable
- 30 Lifelike artistic representation
- 32 Foray
- 33 Rouse to action
- 34 Recede
- 37 Former Yankee McDougald
- 38 Turn a man into a mouse?
- 39 Modern: pref.
- 40 New Haven scholar
- 41 A Gandhi
- 42 Headliner
- 43 Itemized allocation plans
- 45 Sample
- 46 Rotated rapidly
- 48 Exist
- 49 D.C. bigwig
- 50 Mortarboard ornament
- 52 Cheese type
- 56 Apparently
- 59 Hawaiian dance
- 60 Out in front
- 61 Handle roughly
- 62 Receptive
- 63 Topless little pies
- 64 Victim
- 65 Social misfit

DOWN

- 1 Lee J. or Ty
- 2 Asian sea
- 3 Long lunch?
- 4 Providing traction
- 5 "Of Studies" author
- 6 Weaver's apparatus
- 7 Traveler's stopover
- 8 Tent stake
- 9 Answer-man Trebek
- 10 Fingers or toes
- 11 Reductions
- 12 Distributes
- 13 Coasters
- 19 Copy
- 21 Pose
- 24 Short interval of relief
- 25 Diners
- 27 Entreat earnestly
- 28 Fix firmly
- 29 Legislator's delaying tactic
- 30 Produce a graphic image
- 31 Irritate
- 33 Cincinnati team
- 35 Dog tired
- 36 Drill
- 38 Concealed
- 42 Underwater tunneeler
- 44 Upset an incumbent
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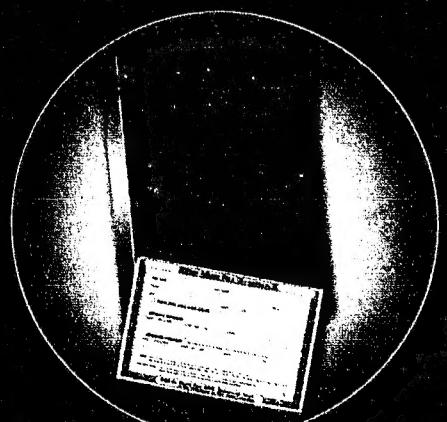
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12 noon G.A.L.O.
12 noon United Christian Ministries
12:30 p Student Democrats
3 pm S.A.B.C
4 pm Zeta Phi Beta
4 pm Student Health Advisory Council
6 pm Alpha Xi Delta
7 pm Sigma Lambda Beta
7 pm Symposium on Technical Communications
7:30 pm Lambda Theta Nu

Wed., Jan 24th

7 am Chapter Summary
11 am Traffic Appeals
11:30 am American Multicultural Students
12 noon Alcoholics Anonymous
12 noon African American Organization
12 noon Network for disabled Students
12 noon A.L.A.S
12 noon Chapter Summary
1:30 pm Stephenson Interns
2 pm Student Programming
2:30 Union Pacific
3 pm Pi Kappa Alpha
4 pm Zeta Phi Beta

Thurs., Jan 25th

9 am Consider This...

11 am Quest
11:45 am Intro to Mind/Body Exercise
12:30 pm Student Social Work
2:30 pm Panhellenic
4 pm Zeta Phi Beta
5:30 pm Zeta Phi Beta
7 pm Delta Sigma Pi
8 pm Campus Crusade

Fri., Jan 26th

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8 am Student Leadership Team
10 am Safety Committee
12 noon Hiring Lunch
12 noon Arnold Air Society
12 noon Interfraternity Council
12 noon FYE Teaching Circle

2 pm Judicial Board

2:30 pm TLTR Campus Wide Meeting
2:30 pm Psychology Speaker
3:30 Psychology
4 pm Zeta Phi Beta
4:45 pm Honor Band
5:30 pm Football Banquet
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
6 pm Kappa Alpha Psi
7 pm Quest

Sun., Jan 28th

2 pm Sigma Kappa
3 pm Kappa Alpha Psi
3 pm Zeta Tau Alpha
5 pm Student Democrats
5 pm National Pan-Hellenic Council
6 pm Lambda Chi Alpha
6 pm Phi Delta Theta
6 pm Lambda Chi Alpha
6:30 pm Theta Chi

Sat., Jan 27th

7:30 am Future Cities
8:30 am Social Work
9 am Zeta Phi Beta
10 am Summer Scholars Brunch
11 am Chi Sigma Lota
1 pm Sigma Lambda Beta

Mon., Jan 29th

11:30 am Graduate Studies
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